VILLAGE OF LANCASTER

MAYOR LYNNE T. RUDA

Municipal Building 5423 Broadway Lancaster, NY 14086

April 19, 2022

Christopher Jacobs Congressman of the 27th District 8203 Main Street, Suite 2 Williamsville, NY 14221



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Dear Congressman Jacobs,

I am writing to you in support of the Town of Lancaster's request for funding for the Lancaster Senior Center. The senior center is an important resource for our senior population in the Village of Lancaster and is one of the many shared services that is provided by the Town of Lancaster. The senior center is located within the Village of Lancaster and is easily accessible to our residents.

The Senior Center is in need of many repairs. The siding on the siding is falling apart, the roof is losing shingles daily and leaking, and the flooring is chipped and cracking creating a tripping hazard for our Seniors. Older adults use our center not only for recreation & fellowship, but for nutrition, education, transportation, health services, volunteer opportunities, travel experiences, connection to social services and so much more. For many seniors, the Senior Center is their home away from home, a place where they feel safe, involved, and where they know staff and peers care about them. Having a safe, clean, well kept Senior Center is so important to our residents over all health and quality of life.

This funding would be a good use of taxpayer dollars because it would support our downtown core's continued revitalization efforts and will encourage our patrons to "shop, stroll, stay". I strongly encourage you to support this funding request and am certain that the funding for the replacement windows will positively impact our Lancaster community.

Sincerely,

Lynne T. Ruda Village of Lancaster

Mayor

Village of Lancaster



Chris Jacobs 8203 Main Street, Suite 2 Williamsville, NY 14221

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Dear Congressman Jacobs,

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As you may know, the Lancaster Senior Center is requesting funding to maintain their building at 100 Oxford Avenue. This letter is written in support of those efforts.

While Lancaster Senior Center is a Town of Lancaster service for town residents, the building happens to be located in the southern portion of our village. The Village of Lancaster is proud to host many of the town's services and buildings within the village limits, the Senior Center chief among them.

From my view point as a village resident, and a Town of Lancaster taxpayer, I know of the difference that the Senior Center makes in the lives of our senior taxpayers. As an aging village, it is important to maintain the services at the level our taxpayers not only want, but deserve.

It is with this knowledge that I offer my support behind this funding to repair and replace important issues such as the leaking roof and deteriorating siding.

I am proud to support the request of the Town of Lancaster Senior Center, which proudly serves the Village of Lancaster.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Truly Yours,

Tyler Sojka

Lancaster Village Trustee

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April 18, 2022

Congressman Chris Jacobs 8203 Main Street Suite 2 Williamsville, NY 14221

Dear Congressman Jacobs,

I am writing this letter in support of federal funds to make building improvements to the Lancaster Senior Center.

The Lancaster Senior Center is very important to the Town of Lancaster and its residents. The Senior Center is a place where senior members of our community and its neighbors can come together for many different activities. The Senior Center offers affordable lunches, arts and crafts, dance lessons, ping pong, pickle ball, bocce ball and many other activities and programs. It is imperative that the seniors in the community have these programs and activities as many of them do not get out of the house as much as they used to or may need friendships and the exercise they receive at the Senior Center. The Lancaster Senior Center also hosts the Meals on Wheels program which delivers door to the doorsteps of many Senior residents that depend on this service to survive.

The Lancaster Senior Center has served our community very well for many years, but time has started to take toll on the building. The siding is in disrepair and needs immediate attention before causing further damages. The flooring has also become worn out and needs to be replaced before it becomes a safety issue.

Thank you so much for your time. Please do consider allocation of federal funds to improve the Lancaster Senior Center.

Sincerely.

Adam L. Dickman

Councilman

Lancaster, New York

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Village of Depew

April 19th, 2022

Congressman Christopher Jacobs 8203 Main Street Suite 2 Williamsville, New York 14221

Dear Congressman,

As the Mayor of the neighboring Village of Depew, NY, I wanted to reach out to you to express my support of the Town of Lancaster's efforts to secure funding for a rehabilitation project for its Senior Center facility.

The Town of Lancaster Senior Center building, located at 100 Oxford Place is a heavily used facility where programming for the many area Seniors live is vitally important..

I wholeheartedly support the Town of Lancaster looking for sources of funding to upkeep this very important facility and programming for their community.

If you need any additional information please let me know.

Thanking you in advance.

Kevin J. Peterson Mayor

Village of Depew

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THE SENATE STATE OF NEW YORK SENATOR PATRICK M. GALLIVAN 59TH DISTRICT

April 19, 2022

Honorable Chris Jacobs 8203 Main Street Williamsville, NY 14221

Dear Congressman Jacobs:

I am writing in support of the Town of Lancaster's request to consider funding through the House Committee on Appropriations for renovations to the Town's Senior Center.

The siding on the Center is falling apart, the roof is losing shingles daily and leaking, and the flooring is chipped and cracking creating a tripping hazard for our Seniors. Older adults use the center not only for recreation & fellowship, but for nutrition, education, transportation, health services, volunteer opportunities, travel experiences, connection to social services and so much more.

For many seniors, the Senior Center is their home away from home, a place where they feel safe, involved, and where they know staff and peers care about them. Having a safe, clean, well kept Senior Center is so important to our residents over all health and quality of life

I fully support the Town of Lancaster's request for funding to help facilitate this important community project. Please do not hesitate to contact my office at 716-656-8544 if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Patrick M. Gallivan Senator – 59th District



Town of Lancaster

OFFICE OF THE SUPERVISOR

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April 19, 2022

Congressman Chris Jacobs 8203 Main Street, Suite 2 Williamsville, NY 14221

Dear Congressman Jacobs,

The Town of Lancaster Senior Center is a gathering place for residents and non-residents age 55 and older. There are currently 1848 members and the center averages about 500 to 600 visitors in the building per week. Programs offered include: Meals on Wheels, Transportation through the van service, Crafts, Piano lessons and Exercise classes.

For all that this center offers, it is starting to show it's age. The siding is falling apart, the roof is losing shingles and the flooring is chipped and cracking, creating a trip hazard for our seniors. A safe and clean center is needed to continue providing these services to the center's members. These services are vital to their overall health and well being.

I am in full support of the Senior Center's appropriation funding request to make the necessary repairs and improvements to the center and thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,

Ronald Ruffino, Sr.

Lancaster Town Supervisor

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THE TOWN OF CHEEKTOWAGA



Department of Senior Services 3349 Broadway Cheektowaga, NY 14227 716-686-3930 Fax 716-686-3582

April 19, 2022

To Whom It May Concern,

Older adults all over Erie County – and all over the United States use their local Seniors Centers as a place not only for recreation & fellowship, but for nutrition, education, transportation, health services, volunteer opportunities, travel experiences, connection to social services and so much more. For many seniors, the Senior Center is their home away from home; a place where they feel safe, involved, and where they know staff and peers care about them.

Ask any senior who attends programming at their Senior Center and they will tell you how important it is to their overall health and quality of life. Senior Center's challenge older adults to keep active, keep growing, keep trying new things and keep connected to their community. Having a safe, clean, well-kept, adequately staffed Senior Center should be a priority for all towns and cities. Local leaders should do all that they can to make sure older adults do have Senior Centers available to them.

I wholeheartedly support the Town of Lancaster, New York as they look for funding to upgrade their aging Senior Center. I applaud their efforts to make their Senior Center even better for their residents and I certainly hope you see the value in what they are trying to accomplish. Every community is being asked to do more with less and I applaud Lancaster for looking for resources that can fund some of the repairs and updates that they need to continue to serve their seniors.

I hope you will work with the Town of Lancaster to help them make their Senior Center even better for their senior residents.

Sincerely,

Kerry A. Peek

Director

Town of Lancaster, New York Lancaster Town Council David F Mazur

April 18, 2022 Congressman Chris Jacobs 8203 Main Street, Suite 2 Williamsville, NY 14221

Dear Congressman Jacobs,

I am writing in support of the Lancaster Parks and Recreation Department's request for federal funding for capital improvements at our Senior Center. Lancaster has a very active senior population and our Senior Center hosts man activities for our aged population. Our Center not only hosts recreational activities but is a "hub" for other important community events such as health and nutrition programs, and educational opportunities for this population in our community. The Senior Center really acts as a home away from home to keep our seniors active in their later years. It is important to have a safe and place where they can go within our town.

The funding will be used to make necessary repairs on our roof and siding of our Senior Center. The weather has not been kind to our building and the funding will help make sure that our seniors will continue to have a safe place to go and enjoy their later years. Research has shown that seniors who participate in recreational and educational activities in the later years allows them better physical and mental well-being.

I fully support the Lancaster Parks and Recreation request for funding (\$ 375,000) to help facilitate this important upgrade to our Senior Facility. Please feel free to call me on my cell phone at 716-864-1072 if in need of further assistance.

Sincerely,

David F. Mazur Lancaster Town Council

DIANE M. TERRANOVA

Town Clerk

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April 19, 2022

Hon. Chris Jacobs 8203 Main Street, Suite 2 Williamsville, New York 14221

Dear Congressman Jacobs:

The Town of Lancaster Senior Center has become the center for health, friendships and much more for the Senior Citizens of Lancaster. Seniors receive nutrition, education, transportation, health services, travel experiences and fellowship. This hub of activity is crucial to the lives of our residents, but the building is in a very poor state. I am writing to show my support for funding of the Lancaster Senior Center.

Not only are there aesthetic changes that need to be made but repairs to protect the resident's safety in the building. The flooring is chipped and cracked, making it unsafe for those who are unsteady on their feet. The siding is falling apart and the roof leaks. This is not the Senior Center that our residents deserve. I am in full support of the large-scale renovations this funding would provide.

Sincerely yours,

OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK

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Town Clerk

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Erie County Legislature

HON. FRANK J. TODARO
LEGISLATOR
87" DISTRICT

April 19, 2022

Honorable Congressman Christopher Jacobs Clarence Office 8203 Main Street, Suite #2 Williamsville, NY 14221

Dear Congressman Jacobs:

I write to express my support for the funding for the repairs at the Town of Lancaster's Senior Center. These necessary repairs include the roof, which is losing shingles and leaking, and the flooring, which is chipped and cracked, creating tripping hazards for the seniors. These repairs are essential for the well-being of our seniors. The Lancaster Senior Center is their home away from home, where they feel safe, involved, and connected to the staff and their peers. These repairs are necessary for our seniors and our community to have a safe and productive experience.

Therefore, to have the seniors have a safe center for their overall health and quality of life is why I fully support the funding for the necessary repairs at the Lancaster Senior Center.

I appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

Frank J. Todaro

Erie County Legislator

8th District

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David Marrano 26 Hillside Parkway Lancaster,NY 14086 (716)260-5487 dcmarrano@verizon.net

I am sending this letter as my support for the funding to support needed renovations at the Lancaster Senior Center.

As a recently retired person, I have been able to uncover the great programs and services offered at the Lancaster Senior Center. From exercise programs, craft programs, educational programs, social activities, meal support and many more, the programs offered at the Lancaster Senior Center are a tremendous community asset. It's staff is outstanding and they strive to bring great programming to the residents of Lancaster.

Like any building over 25 years old, updating and renovation is a fact that must be addressed. Certainly to continue the great operations, these updates are essential to the Center. I send this letter as my firm support and hope that the Town pursues these grants to continue the great work and support the Senior Center provides to the residents of Lancaster.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my comments.

Regards

David Marrano

Town of Lancaster

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Congressman Chris Jacobs 8203 Main Street Suite 2 Williamsville, NY 14221

Dear Congressman Jacobs,

I am writing in support of the Lancaster Town request for federal funding to be utilized for renovations to the Lancaster Senior Center facility.

The Lancaster Senior Center is the home away from home for many of our seniors. It is a place for them to obtain healthy and supervised exercise while participating in the multiple recreational activities offered and it is place for them to connect socially, with their fellow seniors. The Senior Center is also a place to obtain proper nutrition, education, transportation services to necessary appointments, health services, travel experiences and volunteer opportunities. It is a place where seniors can have a safe, and clean environment and know that the staff and other seniors care about them personally.

Right now the Lancaster Senior Center is in need of necessary repairs to the roof, the siding and the floors. There is leaking from the roof and the floors are chipped and cracking causing a potential hazard to our seniors. The wooden siding is buckling and needs to be torn off ands replaced with a maintenance free product. The federal funding request would go a long way in helping to make our senior center a much better place and maintain this important community resource.

I fully support our Town of Lancaster's request to renovate the Lancaster Senior Center because of its valuable service to our seniors and to our entire town. We all want to see our senior residents have an opportunity to go to a well run and maintained facility where they can participate in safe, fun and healthy activities with their peers.

Sincerely

Robert E. Learn

Council Member

Lancaster New York